Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

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President Donald J. Trump The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave Washington, DC 20500 The Honorable Robert Lighthizer U.S. Trade Representative 600 17th Street NW Washington, DC 20508

Dear President Trump:

Thank you for notifying Congress of your administration's intent to begin trade talks with Canada and Mexico in a formal renegotiation of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). Ensuring our international trade agreements are in the best interest of the United States is critical to bolstering the vitality of our national economy.

In representing the great State of Michigan, the heart of our nation's domestic auto and manufacturing industries, we strongly urge your administration to include strong and enforceable currency manipulation protections in the renegotiation.

For decades, Michigan's industries have been decimated, put at a competitive disadvantage by countries that unfairly manipulate their currency. The inclusion of strong currency manipulation prohibitions in the renegotiation of NAFTA will set an important precedent as our nation negotiates trade deals with various countries.

Manufacturers in Michigan don't need special treatment. The unparalleled work product of the hardworking men and women of Michigan speaks for itself. However, we must level the playing field for our domestic manufacturers, ensuring the United States sets the rules, allowing the American work product to compete and succeed in the global economy.

Deploying strong currency manipulation protections is instrumental in allowing American companies to succeed, increasing economic prosperity, and securing good paying jobs for hardworking families in Michigan and across the country. With so much at stake, we implore you to include currency manipulation protections in the renegotiation of NAFTA, setting a strong precedent for all future trade deals.

Sincerely,

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